# A. ACCREDITATION STATUS

#### 1. Institutional Accreditation

The Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools accredits Kean University. The initial accreditation was in 1960 and the most recent re-accreditation was in 2001. The University is also licensed by the New Jersey Commission on Higher Education.

#### 2. Professional Accreditation and Specialized Professional Associations

#### College of Business and Public Administration

#### **Department of Public Administration**

Master of Public Administration

Accrediting Body: National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration

## College of Education

All programs in the College of Education as well as teacher education programs located in other colleges are accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE). The initial accreditation was awarded in 1954. All programs leading to teacher certification are also approved by the National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification (NASDTEC). In addition, the following specialized accreditations and recognitions have been achieved:

## **Department of Communication Disorders & Deafness**

M.A. in Speech Pathology

Accrediting Body: American Speech-Language-Hearing Association

#### **Department of Communication Sciences and Educational Services**

M.A. in Reading Specialization

Specialized Professional Association: International Reading Association

#### **Department of Counselor Education**

M.A. in Counselor Education

Accrediting Body: Council for the Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs State Licensing Agency: New Jersey Professional Counselor Examiners Committee

## **Department of Early Childhood Education**

B.A. and M.A. in Early Childhood Education

Specialized Professional Association: National Association for the Education of Young Children

## **Department of Elementary and Bilingual Education**

B.A. in Elementary Education

Specialized Professional Association: Association for Childhood Education International

#### **Department of Middle and Secondary Education**

M.A. in Instruction and Curriculum

Classroom Instruction Option

Specialized Professional Associations: National Science Teachers Association

National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Association for Childhood Education International Earth Science Option

Specialized Professional Association: National Science Teachers Association

World Language Option

Specialized Professional Association: American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages

#### Department of Physical Education, Recreation & Health

B.S. in Athletic Training

Accrediting Body: Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education

B.A. in Physical Education

Specialized Professional Association: National Association for Sports and Physical Education

#### **Department of Special Education**

All Programs

Specialized Professional Association: Council for Exceptional Children

#### College of Humanities and Social Sciences

## **Department of Social Work**

Bachelor of Social Work

Accrediting Body: Council for Social Work Education

#### Department of Psychology

Professional Diploma in School Psychology

Accrediting Bodies: National Association of School Psychologists

National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education

#### College of Natural, Applied and Health Sciences

#### **Department of Biology**

B.A. in Biology (Teacher Education Option)

Specialized Professional Association: National Science Teachers Association

#### Department of Chemistry/Physics

B.S. in Chemistry Program (Expanded Option)

Specialized Professional Association: American Chemical Society

B.A. in Chemistry Program (Teacher Education Option)

Specialized Professional Association: National Science Teachers Association

#### **Department of Geology and Meteorology**

B.A. in Earth Science (Teacher Educational Option)

Specialized Professional Association: National Science Teachers Association

#### **Department of Health Information Management**

B.S. in Health Information Management Program

Accrediting Body: Commission on Accreditation for Health Information & Information Management Education

#### **Department of Mathematics**

B.A. in Mathematical Sciences (Teacher Education Option)

Specialized Professional Association: National Council for Teachers of Mathematics

# **Department of Nursing**

B.S.N., M.S.N., and M.S.N./M.P.A. in Nursing Accrediting Body: National League for Nursing

State Licensing Agency: New Jersey State Board of Nursing

## **Department of Occupational Therapy**

M.S. in Occupational Therapy Program

Accrediting Body: Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education/American

Occupational Therapy Association

#### School of Visual and Performing Arts

## **Department of Music**

All Music Programs

Accrediting Body: National Association of Schools of Music

#### **Department of Theatre**

All Theatre Programs

Accrediting Body: National Association of Schools of Theatre

## **Department of Fine Arts**

All Fine Arts Programs

Accrediting Body: National Association of Schools of Art and Design

#### Department of Design

All Design Programs

Accrediting Body: National Association of Schools of Art and Design

B.F.A. Interior Design

Accrediting Body: Council for Interior Design Accreditation

## Nathan Weiss Graduate College

## **Department of Educational Leadership**

M.A. in Education Administration

Specialized Professional Association: Educational Leadership Constituent Council

## **Department of Social Work**

Master of Social Work

Accrediting Body: Council for Social Work Education

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